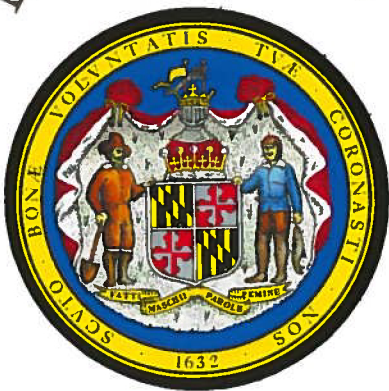


The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

LUNAR NEW YEAR DAY "THE YEAR OF THE OX"

- WHEREAS,** *As we mark the beginning of Lunar year 4719, celebrations take place commemorating 2021 as the Year of the Ox. The individuals born in the Year of the Ox are known for being honest, hard working, humble, faithful and worthy; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Asian Americans across Maryland are celebrating the Lunar New Year with warm wishes of joy, prosperity and good fortune in the coming year; and*
- WHEREAS,** *In recognition of the economic, social and cultural contributions of the many Marylanders to whom the Lunar New Year holds special significance, the Maryland General Assembly has enacted a law commemorating the lunar new year day each year throughout the state of Maryland; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is proud to join in offering best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous "Year of the Ox."*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim FEBRUARY 12, 2021 as LUNAR NEW YEAR DAY in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all our citizens.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 12th day of February
Two Thousand and twenty-one

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Byrd H. Lathrop
Lt. Governor

John C. W. W. W.
Secretary of State

